BP sells Colombian business for 1.9 billion dollars *pg 11*

Colin gains strength in Caribbean pg 3

Latin America summit vows no protectionism pg 2

FREE COPY

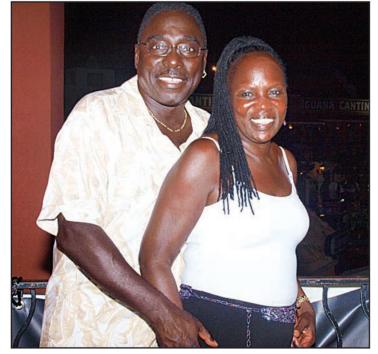
Wednesday, August 4, 2010

THE MORNING TENSION SOurce for Local News in English www.themorningnewsaruba.com

Caya G. F. Betico Croes 111 - Tel: 588-9517 - Fax: 588-9518 - E-mail: themorningnewsaruba@gmail.com

The Risbrooks 20th anniversary celebration is a hit!





Jamal and Michaele Risbrook of Elmont, New York this year elected to take an extra week of vacation on Aruba to celebrate the landmark occasion of 20 years of marriage. If you happen to run into this today, August 4, which is their anniversary, be sure to congratu-

late them!

If perhaps you are a fan of the great days when R & B and Funk/Disco music ruled the Billboard and Hot Dance Music charts, than Jamal may strike you as somewhat familiar. It could be because he looks almost exactly as he did when making multiple appearances on the famed music show "Soultrain" as a founding member, with his brother Bill and others, of the group BT (Brooklyn Trucking) Express.

Thanks to the Internet and Youtube, you can easily pick out Jamal's smooth bass providing the chourus "whatever it is" as the lead singer and guitarist of BT Express, Wesley Pike Hall, Jr., sings out the tag line of their Billboard #1 hit "Do it ('Til You're Satisfied) from their debut album of 1974. It can also be heard as the opening theme for the late night Mo'Nique Show Monday through Friday on BET.

Jamal reports that BT Express is still performing to audiences around the world, and recently completed a tour of Japan. The staff of THE MORNING NEWS wish Jamal and Michaele many more years of wedded bliss; may your marriage always top the charts!

by Rosalie Klein

Obama urges stand against non-democratic African leaders



US President Barack Obama speaks during a town hall meeting with Young African Leaders in the East Room at the White House in Washington, DC

WASHINGTON (AFP) - US President Barack Obama urged young African leaders Tuesday to work for change on their continent and bolster democracy, slamming many independence-era leaders who were elected but then clung to power.

Welcoming more than 100 young Africans to the White House for a forum marking 50 years since 1960 when many former colonies on the continent gained their independence, Obama said he hoped "some of you will end up being leaders of your countries some day."

"If you think about it, back in the 1960s, when your grand-parents, great-grandparents, were fighting for independence, the first leaders, they all said that they were for democracy," Obama -- the first African-American US president -- said at the gathering on Africa's next half century.

He hailed Africa's "burst of self-determination" that helped rid the continent of abusive colonialism.

But "what's been happening is that when you've been in power for a while, you say 'Well, I must be such a good ruler, that it's for the benefit of the people that I need to stay here.' And so then you start

changing the laws, and intimidating and jailing opponents.

"And pretty soon, young people just like yourselves, full of hope and promise, end up becoming exactly what they fought against," Obama cautioned.

Quoting Mahatma Ganhdi, Obama said: "one of the things that everybody here needs to internalize, is that 'you have to be the change that you seek'."

"It's not as if we're perfect, we've got all kinds of problems as well," said Obama, whose father was Kenyan.

"But what it does mean is that the peaceful transfer of power, and the notion that people always have a voice, our trust in that democratic process is one that has to be embraced in your countries as well."

Earlier Tuesday Secretary of State Hillary Clinton urged the same group to empower average people as she said information technology will "blow the doors down" on repressive governments.

"We are looking for leaders who know that empowering citizens is in everyone's best interests," Clinton told a gathering of 115 young African democracy campaigners, journalists, rights activists and business leaders.

Bring this ad to receive a free orange juice

Le Petit Cafe
stone Grill Restaurant & Bar

Located at: Playa Linda Beach Resort Tel. 586 4046

Breakfast Monday thru Saturday 8 - 11 AM

*American **\$ 6.95**

2 Eggs (fried, scrambled or poached) with bacon, and link sausage, potatoes, toast and coffee or tea.

All you care to eat \$ 9.95
not valid with other promotional offers or coupons

Early Bird Special Le Petit Cafe

Stone Grill Restaurant & Bar Every Day from 5-7 pm

Dinner Salad or Soup of the day Lemon Chicken Breast or Petit Filet Mignon or Filet of Grouper

Ice Cream Chocolate ^{or} Vanilla

All served with French Fries or Baked Potato on our famous HOT Stone
* Plus 15% service charge. Not valid with other promotional offers or coupons.

Mercosur trade bloc agrees to reduce customs fees



Presidents (L-R) Sebastian Pinera of Chile, Jose Mujica of Uruguay, Luiz Inacio Lula Da Silva of Brazil, Cristina Fernandez de Kirchner of Argentina, Fernando Lugo of Paraguay, Evo Morales of Bolivia and Foreign Minister of Venezuela Nicolas Maduro pose for the family picture during the MERCOSUR presidential summit in San Juan, Argentina yesterday. South American leaders on Tuesday made progress in talks about integration within the Mercosur trade group after the absence of Venezuelan leader Hugo Chavez pushed his country's spat with Colombia to the background. Venezuela's Foreign Minister Nicolas Maduro, who represented his country after Chavez pulled out at the last minute, dismissed bids by Mercosur to work as a arbitrator between Bogota and Caracas. Only the South American diplomatic body Unasur could fill that role, he said. The governments of Argentina, Brazil, Paraguay and Uruguay also agreed to a common external tariff after six years of negotiations, ending the practice of charging two tariffs on goods from third countries being transported within the bloc. (AFP PHOTO)

Ground Zero Islamic center project clears major obstacle



NEW YORK (AFP) - New York cleared a key obstacle Tuesday for plans to build an Islamic center with a mosque near Ground Zero, the site of the World Trade Center's Twin Towers which were toppled by Al-Qaeda in 2001.

"This is the freest City in the world. That's what makes New York special and different and strong. Our doors are open to everyone -- everyone with a dream and a willingness to work hard and play by the rules," said Mayor Michael Bloomberg, a supporter of the project.

The city's Landmarks Preservation Commission voted unanimously 9-0 to remove the 1850s Italian Renaissance palazzo-style structure at 45-47 Park Place from a potential list of protected buildings, said chairman Robert Tierney.

The building now houses only an abandoned clothing store. One member, Frederick Bland, noted that the older building's architect was unknown.

Many applauded the decision, but others shouted "shame" and one women held a placard saying: "Don't glorify murders of 3,000, no 9/11 mosque" and "Islam builds mosques at the sites of their conquests."

Supporters say the project would help build bridges between the West and the Muslim world and transform both the drab lower Manhattan street and the way Americans have looked on Muslims since the deadly attacks in 2001.

Dutch anti-Islam party has key role in coalition talks

THE HAGUE (AFP) - The Netherlands moved closer Tuesday to a rightist cabinet relying on anti-Islam MP Geert Wilders' support for passing policy, after a royal official said this option must be explored further.

"There is strong political will" on the part of the centre-right VVD, the Christian Democrats (CDA) and Wilders' Party for Freedom (PVV), to reach a cooperation agreement, Ruud Lubbers, an official tasked by the queen with examining postelection coalition options, said in his final report.

He recommended closer examination of how a VVD-CDA "minority" coalition could work in firm agreement with Wilders' PVV to give it a parliamentary majority when needed.

The VVD and CDA won a combined 52 seats in the 150-member Dutch Parliament in June 9 elections, and Wilders 24

THE MORNING NEWS

Your Source for Local News in English

Ingrid Does Manager

Rosalinda Maduro Chandette Richardson Editors

Milton Jones

Project Coordinator & Graphic Designer

Rosalie Klein Reporter / Photographer

Yvonne Kromhout P.R., Sales & Marketing

Yanis Garcia

News Provider: AFP-Agence France Presse

Caya G. F. Betico Croes 111 Tel: 588-9517 - Fax: 588-9518

E-mail:

themorningnewsaruba@gmail.com

Website:

www.themorningnewsaruba.com

Sonfaya and TEATRA presents play "Master Demon and his slaves" at Serena di Arikok

Serena di Arikok, live theatrical performances @ Arikok, together with Sonfaya 2020 and TEATRA is presenting the theatrical performance "Master Demon and his slaves."

This will be at the Arikok National Park.

The play will take the audience back to the colonial times of Aruba. In those days the Masters were the ones who decided which slaves could procreate and which not. It was difficult for love to flourish among the slaves.

This story is about a young

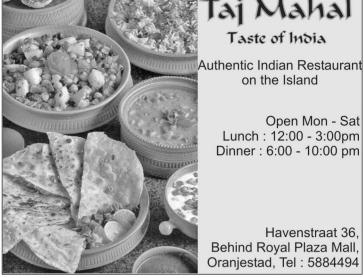


girl who falls in love with a boy. Even though it was forbidden, their love for each other cannot be stopped.

The performance is under the direction of local artist Takhai Mohamed who has directed various plays with the TEATRA group and presented dance and music performances with the Sonfaya 2020 group.

Arikok National Park invites everyone to this wonderful and educative play. Come and enjoy the great ambiance at the Visitor Center of the Arikok National Park in San Fuego, this Saturday, August 7, from 7:00 to 9:00 p.m. The play will be preformed in Eng-

Lustrum books of Colegio Aruba now available on Aruba



Colin gains strength in Caribbean

MIAMI, Florida - A tropical depression churning near the southeastern Caribbean Sea has been upgraded from a depression to a tropical storm. The storm, named Colin, has sustained winds topping 40 miles an hour and is currently about 945 miles east of the Lesser Antilles islands moving west-northwest at 23 mph.

Colin is the third named storm of the 2010 Atlantic hurricane season.

The National Hurricane Center in Miami said the storm is expected to gain strength during the next 36 hours or so as the storm travels across open waters. Forecasters project its trajectory will take it northeast and north of the Leeward Islands.

The system is likely to traverse northeast of Puerto Rico and the Dominican Republic, curving north and east of the Bahamas and the U.S. East coast between Bermuda towards the end of the week and start of the weekend, according to the center.

Because of its fast forward

progress and because it is expected to encounter wind shear, Colin is not expected to intensify into a hurricane over the next five days. Computer models show if it moves north, it may weaken over cooler waters and have difficulty intensifying due to interference from high altitude winds.

The hurricane center also is monitoring a tropical wave in the southeastern Caribbean, giving it a 20 percent chance of developing over the next two

VVD chairman to take over cabinet talks, immigration high on agenda

THE HAGUE, The Netherlands -- VVD chairman and former Rotterdam mayor Ivo Opstelten has been recommended as the man to lead the next stage of the coalition talks - the formation of a minority CDA VVD government which will have PVV support in parliament.

Current negotiator Ruud Lubbers made the recommendation to Queen Beatrix while briefing her on the latest developments yesterday afternoon.

Opstelten will be charged

with helping the three parties identify spending cuts totalling €18bn to bring the budget deficit back under control.

He must also find out 'if and how' agreement can be reached on guaranteeing parliamentary support from the anti-Islam PVV. This will require deals on immigration, integration, asylum seekers, public safety and care of the elderly, Lubbers said in his report to the Queen.

PVV leader Geert Wilders has said agreement must be

reached on these subjects in return for his party's support in parliament for spending cuts.

In his report, Lubbers made a number of recommendations of where support from the PVV can be won. These include new rules governing family reunification and compulsory language tests, tighter eligibility criteria for social security benefits, fast-track court procedures and more efforts to tackle the problem of under-12s who cause a

Venezuelan communists call for regional demilitarization

CARACAS, Venezuela Venezuela's Communist Party blames the war-mongering and divisive positions of some countries of the continent for the military bases set up in their territories and proposed that the area be declared a demilitarized zone.

Solutions to the stability of the region require Latin America and the Caribbean to be a zone free of foreign troops and bases, said the Politburo member of the organization Carlos Aquino.

Aguino made clear that he was referring not only to U.S. forces in Colombia, Peru and Panama, but also to the British presence in the Falkland Islands, the French in Guiana, and the Dutch in the Caribbean

According to him, those elements of the Organization of the North Atlantic Treaty in the region are against peace and

the integration of Latin American and Caribbean peoples.

Aquino noted the current president of Colombia, Alvaro Uribe, heads the faction in the region that represents foreign interests.

The Venezuelan politician accused Uribe of sabotaging not only the possible rapprochement between his country and Venezuela, but also of opposing an agreement to achieve peace in Colombia.

The committee of Lustrum book of Colegio Arubano announces that the books of the 50 years of Colegio Arubano are now in Aruba. They are for sale at the SMOA office and at the Colegio Arubano until 4:30 p.m. The price is Afls. 25 per book.

The Lustrum book tells the history of the origin of Colegio Arubano, wellknown persons in the community who were alumni of the school, has photos of the Carnaval Queens who were elected Grand Carnaval Queen, alumni who stood out in their career, like Edward Cheung; past lustrum celebrations, and photos of the classes of yesteryears and

It is a book of historic value for every alumni, exalumni, teachers and exteachers.





Today's public figures can no longer write their own speeches or books, and there is some evidence that they can't read them either.

Gore Vidal

Naomi Campbell to get protection during war crimes trial

AMSTERDAM, The Netherlands - British supermodel Naomi Campbell will be allowed extra help from a lawyer during her testimony over a "blood diamond" at a Sierra Leone war crimes trial, and photographers will be banned from filming her.

Prosecutors want Campbell to testify to clarify witness statements that she was given one or more "blood diamonds" -- diamonds mined in war zones -- by former Liberian president Charles Taylor, on trial in The Hague for war crimes.

Lawyers for Campbell had lodged a request with the Special Court for Sierra Leone for protective measures last week,



NaomiCampbell

requesting the court take steps to ensure the fashion model's privacy and safety when she gives testimony tomorrow.

The court ruled yesterday it

was in the interests of justice to grant Campbell's lawyer a limited right to intervene on whether to allow questions for Campbell if she could incriminate herself by answering

In its ruling, the court also said there were "legitimate grounds of concern" for Campbell's security due to the extremely intense media scrutiny of her appearance.

It ordered steps be taken so that "no person shall photograph or video record Ms Campbell while entering the tribunal building, exiting the tribunal building, or while she is in the tribunal building without leave of the trial chamber or Ms Campbell."

Spanish resort readies to host Michelle Obama, daughter



MARBELLA, Spain (AFP) -The Spanish resort of Marbella, often associated with Arab princes and crime lords, geared up yesterday to welcome US First Lady Michelle Obama, with authorities eyeing a boost in tourist revenues.

A huge billboard in the Mediterranean city proclaimed "Welcome Obama Family" in the red white and blue colours of the US flag, with Obama and her youngest daughter Sasha, nine, due today for a holiday.

billboard Marbella!" the

The trip was a private mother-daughter holiday with long-time family friends, the White House announced last week, denying Spanish news reports that President Barack Obama, who celebrates his 49th birthday today, would join them.

Michelle Obama was also scheduled to meet Spain's King Juan Carlos and Queen Sofia at their summer palace

on the Balearic island of Maiorca during her brief stay, the White House said.

She and her daughter were booked in for four days at Marbella's five-star Hotel Villa Padierna, which hoisted a US flag at its entrance to welcome them. Nearby roads were repaved ahead of the visit.

Owner Ricardo Arranz said the Obama family had asked for "nothing special" during their stay and said the staff would "respect their privacy."

The Queen's offers an authentic taste of Aruba!



Varella, Luisa and the next generation of chef



Keshi Yena with plaintains, vegetables and pica

One of the distinctions of Aruban cuisine is incorporating unique indigenous ingredients such as in Wild Cucumber Stew and a particular light fish chowder accompanied by the local specialties pan bati (corn meal pancake) and funchi (the local version of polenta.) Thus, eating out at the authentically Aruban res- taurant, The Queen's, is very affordable, with a true taste of regional cuisine.

Owner Varella Innocencia confesses she opened her restaurant in Oranjestad because "I grew up with this, and loved serving people our island food. My father and mother operated the little restaurant across from the Americana, which some may remember, the original Arawak. I remember how much our customers loved trying the local food, and they especially loved the prices!'

Varella's mom, Luisa, is still in the kitchen, conjuring up the delicious dishes that have been in her family for generations, which is acknowledged on the menu with "Carni Stoba di Mamachi"-"Grandma's Beef Stew," and their Arawak Steak.

We also bumped into island visitors Jim and Callie from Michigan, who were eager to try island food, and were more than pleased with their venture into local cuisine. "We will definitely return to The Queen's," they affirmed, "the food was delicious and the prices are more than right."

The menu sports a variety of steaks and tenderloin, fresh caught seafood, Caribbean lobster, and of course, one of our favorites, and what we consider a true test of local cuisine, "Keshi Yena"- "Filled Cheese." This is a tasty, filling stew of chicken, with other ingredients that are handy that day, all incased in a thick skin of melted Gouda. It was very satisfying and particularly memorable paired with The Queen's garlic bread and very special Pica, a mix of chopped onions and the famous local hot pepper, Madame Janette. Not overly spicy, it lent that perfect bit of tang to this deliciously picturesque meal.

Located next to the Harbor at the end of the Weststraat, The Queen's is open from 11:00 a.m. to 11:00 p.m., daily, offering indoor and outdoor dining. They also have daily specials. aside from an extensive menu; made from whatever is in season and Mama Luisa was in the mood to prepare.

We noticed a steady stream of islanders coming for lunch in the pleasant surroundings or picking up take-out containers; always a sure sign of a winner is where the locals like to eat!

Best Condominium offer!







Call 735 5252 or 735 5300



www.diviarubaresidences.com

A Magical wedding in Paradise

Elaine and Chris vow their love as one



On July 22, 2010 Elaine Schwarze and Chris Adragna said "I do" at the famous Divi Divi Trees located at Amsterdam Manor at Eagle Beach.

The couple exchanged vows and rings, celebrating their love in a ceremony officiated by Rev. Robert Gibson, and witnessed by 68 of their closest family members and

friends.

After the exchange of rings, vows and lots of kisses, the new Mr. and Mrs. Adragna, accompanied by their family members and friends continued with a fabulous reception with dancing and dining at Passions on the Beach Restaurant.

The evening ended with the

bride, groom and guests swimming in the beautiful blue waters of Aruba.

When asked why they had chosen Aruba for their wedding destination, the couple answerd for its beautiful setting, and the fact that the bride's family had been coming to Aruba for years. The Divi Divi Trees were the per-



"Our experience was ma-

gical and incredible," the couple said.

"We couldn't have asked for a more wonderful ceremony and reception, everything was beautiful and perfect! A special thanks to everyone involved who made our wedding day so special," they finished saying.

Double CINEMAS LOOK FORTHIS LOGO FOR 3D MOVIES PRESENTED BY SETAR 3D Only At: by ARGENTI ORO s.a. Havenstraat # 12 Opp Renaissance Mall & Hotel, Aruba Tel: (297) 582-7070

*matinee: everyday | **late show: friday & saturday

		cveryday	iate silow.	friday & sa	aturuay	
	AT RENA	AISSANCE -	ORANJE	STAD		
PG-13	INCEPTION	V				
NEW	daily:		8:00	late show:	11:00	
R	matinee: UNTHINKA	RIF		idle snow:	11.00	
NEW	daily:	, DLL	6:45	9:00		
MEW	matinee:			late show:	11:15	
PG		S VS ALIENS		1010101		
NEW	daily:	12.00	14:15	4:30		
DO	matinee: DESPICABI	12:00 LEME 3D	14:15	late show:		60
PG	daily:	LE ME 3D	4.30			5
	matinee:	12.00	2.15	late show:		Óμ
PG		ERER'S APPR				
	daily:	12.20	5:30	8:00	11.00	
DC.	matinee:	12:30	3:00	late show:	11:00	
PG	THE KARAT	IEKID				
	matinee:	12:15	3:15	late show:		
G-13	GROWN UP	PS	5115	.310 3110771		
- 10	daily:		4:45	7:00	9:15	
	matinee:	12:00	2:30	late show:	11:30	
PG	TOY STORY	Y 3 3D		F 20		6
	daily:	12:30	3:00	5:30		900
P	matinee: PREDATOR	12:30	5:00	late show:		uu
	daily:	.5	6:30	9:00		
	matinee:	1:30		late show:	11:50	
PG	THE LAST	AIRBENDER				6
	daily:		6:45	9:00		6
	matinee:			late show:	11:15	Úμ
	AT PASE	O HERENO	IA .			
PG-13	SALT Start	ing Monday Jul	y 26TH			
NEW	daily:		4:15	6:30	8:30	
			4.15			
	matinee:	ECC AND THE		late show:	11:00	
G	matinee: THE PRINC	ESS AND THE				
	matinee: THE PRINC daily:		FROG	late show:		
G	matinee: THE PRINC	12:00				<u>@</u> .
	matinee: THE PRINC daily: matinee:	12:00	FROG	late show:		(3)
G PG	matinee: THE PRINC daily: matinee: DESPICABI daily: matinee:	12:00 LE ME 3D 12:15	2:00 4:45 2:30	late show:		(S)
G PG	matinee: THE PRINC daily: matinee: DESPICABI daily: matinee: THE SORCE	12:00 LE ME 3D	2:00 4:45 2:30 ENTICE	late show:	11:00	9
G PG	matinee: THE PRINC daily: matinee: DESPICABI daily: matinee: THE SORCE daily:	12:00 LE ME 3D 12:15 ERER'S APPR	2:00 4:45 2:30	late show: late show: late show: 6:15	11:00 8:45	S
G PG	matinee: THE PRINC daily: matinee: DESPICABI daily: matinee: THE SORCE daily: matinee:	12:00 LE ME 3D 12:15 ERER'S APPRI	2:00 4:45 2:30 ENTICE	late show:	11:00	§ 30
G PG	matinee: THE PRINC daily: matinee: DESPICABI daily: matinee: THE SORCE daily: matinee: THE LAST //	12:00 LE ME 3D 12:15 ERER'S APPR	2:00 4:45 2:30 ENTICE	late show: late show: late show: 6:15	11:00 8:45	(S)
G PG	matinee: THE PRINC daily: matinee: DESPICABI daily: matinee: THE SORCE daily: matinee: THE LAST // daily: matinee:	12:00 LE ME 3D 12:15 ERER'S APPRI 1:00 AIRBENDER	2:00 4:45 2:30 ENTICE 3:45	late show: late show: late show: 6:15 late show:	11:00 8:45	(S)
PG PG PG-13	matinee: THE PRINC daily: matinee: DESPICABI daily: matinee: THE SORCE daily: matinee: THE LAST // daily: matinee: GROWN US	12:00 LE ME 3D 12:15 ERER'S APPRI 1:00 AIRBENDER	2:00 4:45 2:30 ENTICE 3:45	late show: late show: late show: 6:15 late show: 9:15 late show:	8:45 11:15	© 30
PG PG PG-13	matinee: THE PRINC daily: matinee: DESPICABI daily: matinee: THE SORCE daily: matinee: THE LAST // daily: matinee: GROWN UP daily:	12:00 LE ME 3D 12:15 ERER'S APPRI 1:00 AIRBENDER	2:00 4:45 2:30 ENTICE 3:45 7:00	late show: late show: late show: 6:15 late show: 9:15 late show: 7:15	8:45 11:15 11:30 9:30	9 30
PG PG-13	matinee: THE PRINC daily: matinee: DESPICABI daily: matinee: THE SORCE daily: matinee: THE LAST // daily: matinee: GROWN US daily: matinee:	12:00 LE ME 3D 12:15 ERER'S APPRI 1:00 AIRBENDER PS 12:00	2:00 4:45 2:30 ENTICE 3:45	late show: late show: late show: 6:15 late show: 9:15 late show:	8:45 11:15	9 30 30
G PG PG	matinee: THE PRINC daily: matinee: DESPICABI daily: matinee: THE SORCE daily: matinee: THE LAST // daily: matinee: GROWN UE daily: matinee: KNIGHT &	12:00 LE ME 3D 12:15 ERER'S APPRI 1:00 AIRBENDER PS 12:00	2:00 4:45 2:30 ENTICE 3:45 7:00 4:45 2:30	late show: late show: late show: 6:15 late show: 9:15 late show: 7:15 late show:	8:45 11:15 11:30 9:30	(S)
G PG PG	matinee: THE PRINC daily: matinee: DESPICABI daily: matinee: THE SORCE daily: matinee: THE LAST // daily: matinee: GROWN UF daily: matinee: KNIGHT & daily:	12:00 LE ME 3D 12:15 ERER'S APPRI 1:00 AIRBENDER PS 12:00	2:00 4:45 2:30 ENTICE 3:45 7:00	late show: late show: late show: 6:15 late show: 9:15 late show: 7:15 late show:	8:45 11:15 11:30 9:30 11:45	(S)
PG PG-13	matinee: THE PRINC daily: matinee: DESPICABI daily: matinee: THE SORCE daily: matinee: THE LAST // daily: matinee: GROWN UF daily: matinee: KNIGHT & daily: matinee:	12:00 LE ME 3D 12:15 ERER'S APPRI 1:00 AIRBENDER PS 12:00 DAY	2:00 4:45 2:30 ENTICE 3:45 7:00 4:45 2:30	late show: late show: late show: 6:15 late show: 9:15 late show: 7:15 late show:	8:45 11:15 11:30 9:30	(S)
PG PG-13	matinee: THE PRINC daily: matinee: DESPICABI daily: matinee: THE SORCE daily: matinee: THE LAST // daily: matinee: GROWN UF daily: matinee: KNIGHT & daily:	12:00 LE ME 3D 12:15 ERER'S APPRI 1:00 AIRBENDER PS 12:00 DAY	2:00 4:45 2:30 ENTICE 3:45 7:00 4:45 2:30	late show: late show: late show: 6:15 late show: 9:15 late show: 7:15 late show: 9:00 late show:	8:45 11:15 11:30 9:30 11:45	(S)
PG PG-13 PG-13	matinee: THE PRINC daily: matinee: DESPICABI daily: matinee: THE SORCE daily: matinee: THE LAST // daily: matinee: GROWN UF daily: matinee: KNIGHT &/ daily: matinee: THE KARAT daily: matinee: THE KARAT daily: matinee:	12:00 LE ME 3D 12:15 ERER'S APPRI 1:00 AIRBENDER PS 12:00 DAY TE KID 12:30	2:00 4:45 2:30 ENTICE 3:45 7:00 4:45 2:30 6:30	late show: late show: late show: 6:15 late show: 9:15 late show: 7:15 late show:	8:45 11:15 11:30 9:30 11:45	(S)
PG PG-13 PG-13	matinee: THE PRINC daily: matinee: DESPICABI daily: matinee: THE SORCE daily: matinee: THE LAST // daily: matinee: GROWN UF daily: matinee: KNIGHT &/ daily: matinee: THE KARAT daily: matinee: THE KARAT daily: matinee: TOY STORN	12:00 LE ME 3D 12:15 ERER'S APPRI 1:00 AIRBENDER PS 12:00 DAY TE KID 12:30	2:00 4:45 2:30 ENTICE 3:45 7:00 4:45 2:30 6:30	late show: late show: late show: 6:15 late show: 9:15 late show: 7:15 late show: 9:00 late show:	8:45 11:15 11:30 9:30 11:45	(S)
PG PG-13 PG-13	matinee: THE PRINC daily: matinee: DESPICABI daily: matinee: THE SORCE daily: matinee: THE LAST // daily: matinee: GROWN US daily: matinee: KNIGHT & daily: matinee: THE KARAT daily: matinee: TOY STORY daily:	12:00 LE ME 3D 12:15 ERER'S APPRI 1:00 AIRBENDER PS 12:00 DAY TE KID 12:30 Y 3 3D	2:00 4:45 2:30 ENTICE 3:45 7:00 4:45 2:30 6:30	late show: late show: late show: 6:15 late show: 9:15 late show: 7:15 late show: 9:00 late show: late show:	8:45 11:15 11:30 9:30 11:45	(S)
PG PG-13 PG-13	matinee: THE PRINC daily: matinee: DESPICABI daily: matinee: THE SORCE daily: matinee: THE LAST // daily: matinee: GROWN UE daily: matinee: KNIGHT & daily: matinee: THE KARAT daily: matinee: THE KARAT daily: matinee: TOY STORY daily: matinee:	12:00 LE ME 3D 12:15 ERER'S APPRI 1:00 AIRBENDER PS 12:00 DAY TE KID 12:30 Y 3 3D 1:30	2:00 4:45 2:30 ENTICE 3:45 7:00 4:45 2:30 6:30 3:30	late show: late show: late show: 6:15 late show: 9:15 late show: 7:15 late show: 9:00 late show:	8:45 11:15 11:30 9:30 11:45	
PG PG-13 PG-13	matinee: THE PRINC daily: matinee: DESPICABI daily: matinee: THE SORCE daily: matinee: THE LAST // daily: matinee: GROWN UF daily: matinee: KNIGHT & daily: matinee: THE KARAT daily: matinee: TOY STORY daily: matinee: THE TWILLE	12:00 LE ME 3D 12:15 ERER'S APPRI 1:00 AIRBENDER PS 12:00 DAY TE KID 12:30 Y 3 3D	2:00 4:45 2:30 ENTICE 3:45 7:00 4:45 2:30 6:30 3:30	late show: late show: late show: 6:15 late show: 9:15 late show: 7:15 late show: 9:00 late show: late show:	8:45 11:15 11:30 9:30 11:45	
PG PG-13 PG-13	matinee: THE PRINC daily: matinee: DESPICABI daily: matinee: THE SORCE daily: matinee: THE LAST // daily: matinee: GROWN UE daily: matinee: KNIGHT & daily: matinee: THE KARAT daily: matinee: THE KARAT daily: matinee: TOY STORY daily: matinee:	12:00 LE ME 3D 12:15 ERER'S APPRI 1:00 AIRBENDER PS 12:00 DAY TE KID 12:30 Y 3 3D 1:30	2:00 4:45 2:30 ENTICE 3:45 7:00 4:45 2:30 6:30 3:30	late show: late show: late show: 6:15 late show: 9:15 late show: 7:15 late show: 9:00 late show: late show:	8:45 11:15 11:30 9:30 11:45	0 3

DISPICABLE ME- Comedy/Fam: In a happy suburban neighborhood, sits a black house with a dead lawn. Unbeknownst to the neighbors, hidden beneath this home is a vast secret hideout. Surrounded by a small army of minions, we discover Gru planning the biggest heist in the history of the world. He is going to steal the moon, yes, the moon. Gru delights in all things wicked. Until the day he encounters the immense will of three little orphaned girls who look at him and see something that no one else has ever seen: a potential Dad.

Science/Tech

5 Takeaways From Black Hat 2010

Black Hat, the largest and most visible hacker conference, is winding down in Las Vegas. It always brings a series of shocks and this year didn't disappoint. What did we learn this year?

1. Your money isn't safe
- Researcher Barnaby Jack
demonstrated how to hack
automated teller machines
(ATMs). He did it both by
physically opening the machine and installing malware
on it and by compromising it
over the network. It turns out
these machines, or at least
some of them, aren't all that
aggressively secured.

2. Your cell phone isn't safe - It was a bad week for mobile security. Project Carmen Sandiego showed that you don't have to be a phone company or government to find out who's using a particular cell phone number or where they are located. The security company Lookout revealed that Android wallpaper applications are needlessly gathering personal data. For years mobile malware has been just over the horizon, but it seems to be closer than ever to being a real problem. F-Secure's Mikko Hypponen was quoted as saying "Eventually, virus writers will realize it is easier to make money by infecting phones than it is by infecting computers."

3. Your electric service isn't safe - Jonathan Pollet, founder of Red Tiger Security, told Black Hat attendees of the weaknesses in Supervisory Control And Data Acquisition (SCADA) systems used in utilities like power companies to manage and monitor equipment. SCADA vendors and users are way behind IT generally when it comes to security. Vulnerabilities go for long times unpatched. Unnecessary software, like chat clients, are used on critical systems, which are sometimes connected to the Internet. Pollet also warned of the weak security state of "smart meters" being rolled out all over the country.

4. Your home router isn't safe - A new trick found by researcher Craig Heffner makes it easier for attackers to gain usable access to your home network. Hacking into

the router can be done in many ways, but once you're in it's hard to get an address on the internal network. Heffner showed a Javascript hack that allows an attacker to use DNS Rebiding to gain an internal address. There are mitigating measures you can take, but they're complex or inconvenient.

Wednesday, August 4, 2010

5. Black Hat itself isn't safe - For the first time this year, Black Hat made their sessions available through a video feed, using a 3rd party service, for a \$395 fee. One subscriber realized that it was easy to trick the service into providing the videos for free. It's not a good thing to show weakness like this to the Black Hat crowd.

There was some good news at the show. To add on to their recent announcement of a sandbox architecture for Reader for Windows, Adobe announced that it will be joining in Microsoft's MAPP program to provide advance notice to security vendors of vulnerability disclosures. This should help users to protect themselves better.

Caring for animals may have shaped human evolution

Our love of all things furry has deep roots in human evolution and may have even shaped how our ancestors developed language and other tools of civilization.

This "animal connection" compelled humans to learn about and care for fellow creatures, said Pat Shipman, a paleoanthropologist at Penn State University. She added that the behavior seems highly abnormal for other animals on the rare occasions that, say, captive tigers nurture pigs or vice versa.

"The animal connection runs through the whole [human history] and connects the other big evolutionary leaps, including stone tools, language and domestication," Shipman explained. "Instead of being isolated discoveries, there's a theme here. It's very deep and very old."

Such nurturing behavior also paid off when humans learned to harness animals as living tools rather than just as food or companions, as detailed in the August 2010 issue of the journal Current Anthropology. That allowed people to essentially use the evolutionary advantages of dogs, cats, horses and other animals for themselves.

The seemingly unique human tendency still persists in modern societies - for instance, more U.S. households



have pets than have children.
"You see homeless people

on the streets with pets, and people in dire circumstances keeping pets," Shipman said. "That suggests there's something humans get out of it, which is pretty old."

Sticks, stones and words Humans may have begun

honing the animal connection after they made the leap from prey (think saber-tooth tigers sinking their fangs into our ancestors) to competitive hunter. That change grew from the development of tools and weapons (to defend one-self) starting around 2.6 mil-

lion years ago.

"Once you undergo that funny ecological transition that hardly any other animal has made, you have double the advantage if you become extremely alert and extremely observant of what other animals are doing, where they are, how they move, how they communicate with each other," Shipman said.

Next, the need to communicate that knowledge about the behavior of prey animals and other predators drove the development of symbols and language around 200,000 years ago, Shipman suggests.

Evolutionary shortcuts

The animal connection's transformation of formerly wild beasts into living tools gave humans a decisive edge in adapting to new environments and using the evolutionary advantages of animals for themselves.



Less than 1 mile from Eagle Beach! Feel free to contact or visit us.

Mon – Fri: 8am-7pm. Sat&Sun: 9am-5pm

Tel: (297) 582-0697 / 583-7484 Fax: 583-5203

E-mail: quality@setarnet.aw - Website: www.arubaqualityapartments.com

HEALTH - LIFESTYLE

Mistakes Women Make in Middle Age







Aging mistakes

Let's not kid ourselves. Getting older is a drag, and middle age is particularly fraught with tension.

Do the sexy clothes you wore in the past now seem just plain wrong? Will smoky eye makeup that looks great on 19-year-olds make you appear just plain crazy?

Part of the problem is that aging often requires change, but most women don't want to move to a frumpy town called Middle Age, where sensible shoes and boring clothes are de rigueur.

Here are the 11 most common mistakes aging women make—and how to avoid them.

Not realizing you need to change

The biggest mistake women make is not doing anything at all. Hair, makeup, and clothing that made you look fantastic in your younger years, often won't cut it as you grow older.

If you want to age gracefully, you'll need to make some changes.

"Many women keep doing the same things they've been doing for decades, which very often no longer works and may not be as flattering for a woman over 50," says Barbara Grufferman, author of The Best of Everything After 50: The Experts' Guide to Style, Sex, Health, Money, and More.

"They often don't even realize they are making mistakes, so it's all about finding what those mistakes are before they can happen."

Not spending enough on your clothes

Remember the good old days, when you could snag a bikini off the sale rack and look like hot stuff on the beach? Unfortunately, those days are gone. (Unless you're Madonna, Helen Mirren, or happen to look like them.)

The rest of us need to invest in clothing that's a bit more, well, constructed. Think Lycra panels, butt-boosting jeans, and Spanx.

It's a challenge to find flattering clothes at any age, but it's even harder in middle age. You'll probably need to fork over more dough for body-squeezing swimsuits and well-fitted business clothes that do the trick.

Not spending enough on your clothes

Remember the good old days, when you could snag a bikini off the sale rack and look like hot stuff on the beach? Unfortunately, those days are gone. (Unless you're Madonna, Helen Mirren, or happen to look like them.)

The rest of us need to invest in clothing that's a bit more, well, constructed. Think Lycra panels, butt-boosting jeans, and Spanx.

It's a challenge to find flattering clothes at any age, but it's even harder in middle age. You'll probably need to fork over more dough for body-squeezing swimsuits and well-fitted business clothes that do the trick.

Comparing yourself to you in your 20s

Have your kids ever asked, "Who's that pretty lady in your photo album?" You're not alone.

Few people look as attractive in middle age as they did in their younger years. So take a walk down memory lane if you must, but don't get depressed if you run into your younger self.

The goal is to look as good as you can—and be as healthy as you can—not recreate the body and face

you had decades ago.

Skipping exercise

Tempted to stop working out as you get older? (Or use it as another excuse not to start?) Sorry, that won't cut it.

You'll have to exercise despite the aches and pains of middle age—the bum knee, tricky back, or it-just-makesme-feel-like-hell feeling.

Exercising can actually relieve pain, and stave off health problems in coming years, such as creeping weight gain, diabetes, heart disease, or dementia.

If you can manage a marathon, great. If not, now is the time to check out the gym pool, start taking yoga, or fall in love with power walking.

Not getting enough sleep

Gone are the days when you could stay up all night and still make it to work with a glowing complexion and a spring in your step.

The fact is, you may have heard a "you look tired" comment even after a good night's sleep. (It's OK to grit your teeth on that one.)

While it may be tempting to shortchange sleep, particularly if you're juggling parent- and child-care duties, this may be one more thing you need to change.

Fewer hours of sleep are more likely to show up on your face, true. But it's also linked to a greater risk of diabetes and other health problems, which become even more important as you age.

Ignoring your teeth

You may be focusing on your wrinkles or thinning hair, but don't forget to smile at yourself in the mirror.

One thing that can make you appear older is yellowing teeth, but it is about more than just looks. Dental health is closely linked with overall health, and gum disease—which gets more common as you age—has been associated with a higher risk of heart problems.

So don't skip those visits to the dentist.

Overdoing antiaging efforts

This is a common mistake made by celebrities and real women alike.

No one likes crow's-feet or laugh lines, but a frozen Botox face or scary lip plumping isn't a great look either.

The right skin products (such as those containing retinol) can help diminish fine lines and wrinkles. If you're not happy with the result, then explore other alternatives—but don't aim to look like a teen again.

"No wrinkles can be unrealistic and unnatural," says Grufferman.

Thinking there are hair "rules"

Do you have to cut your tresses short or above the shoulders once you're 50? No, because there aren't really any hair "rules" for middle-aged women, says Grufferman. "It depends on a woman's height, shape, lifestyle, and the condition of her hair."

The fact is that your hair will probably get more gray and thin as you age, and the texture may get coarser as well.

Choose a cut and color that's flattering, keeping in mind that it probably won't be the cut and color that worked for you in your 20s and 30s.

Using the wrong makeup

The makeup colors and brands you've been wearing for years probably don't reflect what's best for your skin anymore.

And resist the urge to slather on heavy-duty powders and concealers to cover up wrinkles and under-eye circles as caked-on or dark makeup can make you seem even older. For a more natural look, Grufferman suggests using a magnifying mirror and having a "lighter touch" when applying. Keep your cosmetic bag current—replace foundations, powders, and concealers every 6 months to a year, and steer clear of dated makeup styles too.

Wearing the wrong

It's inevitable—gravity has an impact on our bodies. But while you might be saggy where you were once perky, that doesn't mean you have to stay that way.

"Many women continue to wear the same size and brand they've always worn, without considering that our bodies change as we age," says Grufferman.

The right underwear can help lift and slim your body, so re-evaluate your undergarments and invest in some new pieces. Most large department stores and lingerie shops offer free bra-fitting services.

Settling for a boring sex life

Our culture tends to sell the message that young equals sexy, but you don't have to buy into it.

You should have the confidence and freedom to dress and feel as sexy as you want to, and explore your sexual needs as well.

"Women over 50 can have the best sex of their lives," Grufferman says. "For many women, it's the first time they are having sex for fun and enjoyment, not for a result (children)."

More than just shopping



Rosa Ramirez is the lucky winner of Afls. 580,000



The list of happy winners of the Jackpot Lotto keeps growing. Last weekend, Last Call lottery called Rosa Ramirez to give her the pleasant news that she won the Jackpot Lotto. Her winnings: the striking sum of Afls. 580,000. Rosa says she always buys the same numbers, which are all dates with special meanings in her family. She gave thanks to the Lord and said she will use the money to build a house, seek her health and the rest will go for her grandson's study. Photo shows Rosa Ramirez proudly showing off her check of Afls. 580,000.

Tremendous Family Day at Centro Caiquetio









Last weekend the Centro Caiquetio organized a tremendous family day. It started early in the morning with a coffee morning offering different cakes and sweets on sale. There were different booths selling books, plants, house decorations, stuffed toys, accessories and much more.

The bar was well stocked while the kitchen offered a wide menu of local dishes. Entertainment was by a Caha di Orgel – organ grinder, offering those present the chance to dance.

The parish of Paradera held this family day in celebration of Saint Filomena, patron of Paradera. All collected funds will be used to benefit parish groups working with the youth.

Photos give an impression of the animated event.

Courtesy of Farrah Boekhoudt





PICKLES







WELL, PON'T WORRY.
THE DIFFERENCE BETWEEN A BAD HAIRCUT AND A GOOD HAIRCUT IS JUST THREE
DAYS. TEN DAYS TOPS.



DRUG STORES OPEN AFTER HOURS

July 31 - August 6

Noord: "Botica Noord" San Nicolas: "Botica San Lucas"

Center for Hemodialysis

Twelve Step Meetings

Fellowship Clinic S.N.

Free treatment of

and Drug Addiction

Telephone Helpline

Anonymity guaranteed

SOS TELEAYUDO SOS

Mon.-Thu. 9 p.m.-12 midn.

Fri.-Sun. 9 p.m.-2 a.m.

24 hours helpline 583-8989

Posada Clinic Aruba

INFORMATION

Telephone 118

Alcoholism

Tel. 584-5440

583-1190

CAS MARIE

Care Center

Tel: 5696910

Alzheimer's Day

MOMMA

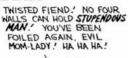






CALVIN and HOBBES









GREAT ZOK! SHE'S FIXED HER MIND-SCRAMBLING EYEBALL RAY ON ME! I'M SUDDENLY FILLED WITH THE DESIRE TO GO BACK UPSTAIRS AND DO HER NEFARIOUS



ACROSS

- Specks Location 10. Time gone
- 14. Songstress Adams
- 15. Competitor 16. Dull pain 17. TV's "The
- and the Beautiful"
- 18. "Aida," for
- Club fees Walks 19.
- 20. 22. Deteriorates
- 24. Make lace Dozes
- Alphabet symbols 29. Do sums
- 32. Bring up children
- Ocean 35. Even score
- 36. Attempts Beg
- the Rainbow Frozen rain
- 46. Be concerned
- Peels fruit Emulate
- Rip Van Winkle Espy Galahad's
- title 54. Shadowbox
- 56.
- Splash Whack 60. 62. Be ill
- 63. Ornamental button
- 65. Changes Sign gas Mixed with
- Swimming 73.
- place Sound reverberation

- 75. Cowboy
- 76. - of Capri
- Scout's

- Ceramic square
- 4. Four-door
- State 8. Actress Burnett
- 11. Keen

- entertain-
- ment
- Enjoy a
- action

DOWN

- 1. IOU 2. Fran Fragrance
- car
- Succeeds in business

- Mouth part
- Gladdens

- book 78. Inundate

- Gym mat

FREE Coverage on our website: www.themorningnewsaruba.com

- 12. Clip wool
- 13. Exams Small arrow
- Measure in
- paces Goes by 26.
- ship Soft
- 28. mineral
- On the roof Prima
- donna "The -
- Hunter" Highland 33.
- dances Oozes Orient 39. 40. Territory
- Profound 41. Relax Serving table: 2 wds.

- 48. Takes a chair
- English 50. baby
- carriage Slow down
- 53.
- 56. More rational
- Segment Hawaiian
- greeting Gossip's
- delight Lukewarm
- Extinct bird 64. 66. Smeller
- Portion out 67. Snow
- coaster Drowse Just on the

market

16 18 19 20 36 42 69 74 76

Important Telephone Tel.580-2840/Pager 127-2446 Numbers

HOSPITAL Horacio Oduber Hospital

Tel.587-4300 **EMERGENCY** Telephone 911

POLICE HDQS Telephone 100

TAXI C.V. TAS 587-1998, 587-5900 In Oranjestad: Tel. 582-2116, 582-1604 582-5447

In San Nicolas Tel. 584-5160, 584-6602 professional taxi services Tel. 588-0035

Al Anon Meetings Mondays 6-7pm Sabana Liber 8 in Noord Tel: 5673356 / 5838989

Sudoku

	9				6		9	
8	1	5	9	3				6
3			1	4				5
9	5	8	6					1
4	2		5		1		9	7
1		,	81		4	6	5	8
2	4			1	8	1		9
6			1	2	5	7	1	3
			3				2	

	_								
-4	t	7	8	6	9	3	I	L	ς
>	ε	I	L	ς	7	Þ	6	8	9
9	6	9	ς	8	I	L	ε	Þ	7
	8	ς	9	Þ	6	7	L	3	I
1	L	6	3	I	8	ς	9	7	t
0	I	†	7	ε	L	9	8	ς	6
S	ς	8	6	L	Þ	I	7	9	3
	9	L	Þ	7	3	6	ς	I	8
	7	3	I	9	ς	8	7	6	L

Complete the grid so that every row and every column contains the numbers 1 through 9 A number is Never repeated in a row or column.

In addition every rectangle must contain the numbers 1 through 9

Finance

Sell@TheMorningNews

Your Source for Local English News

Caya G. F. Betico Croes 111
Tel: 588-9517 - Fax: 588-9518
E-mail: themorningnewsaruba@gmail.com

CLASSIFIEDS

FOR RENT

Apartment, nice neighborhood semi furnished, 1 bedroom, 1 bathroom, kitchen, livingroom, large patio ± 120 sq meters. \$1.000,- all included Tel: 592-6110 - Available July 1

Need a Collector? Call me @5684840

Bo mester di un cobrador? Yama mi na 5684840

FOR RENT

Timeshare located at the
Aruba Divi Pheonix Beach Resort
Studio-Sleeps 4-located in the
villas overlooking the pool and ocean
Studio has kitchen, Cable TV,
Full Gym, Sauna, Jacuzzi,
Laundry facilities, Double balcony
Week 32 (August 7-14) \$650,=
Week 33 (August 14-21) \$600,=
For Sale \$5.000,=

Call: (297) 593-2971 / 734-4434

YESTERDAY'S Crossword Answer



by Ken Varga

Hi, I am Ken Varga. I want to share with you some of the ideas, strategies, and principles that allowed me to build 35 businesses during my career.

By earnestly applying the ideas, you will learn how you too can build your business to success, while living an unhurried life, filled with family, friends, fun and a relaxed attitud.

How would you like to tap into millions and millions of dollars of investment that dozens of companies have made over the years in their customers...and have it cost you nothing?

How would you like to take advantage of hundreds of thousands of customers, all around your marketing area, who have an enormously strong loyalty and respect for the businesses they are currently dealing with?

You can, and you can do it so easily.

The concept for doing this is called Host-Beneficiary Relationships. It's a simple process that's based on utilizing the existing goodwill and strong relationships that other companies have already established with people who are prime prospects for your prod-

uct or service.

their customers... for FREE! - Part 1

The real question is who in your marketing area -- nationally or internationally -- has already established a very tight, very high level relationship with the same kind of people or businesses you desire to sell to.

How to use millions of dollars of investment

that dozens of companies have made in

What this means is: who is already selling to the customers you want to be reaching, or the clients you want to be serving.

These companies would be selling their customers something else, something that either goes before, along with, or follows the product you are selling.

The moment you identify who these businesses are, you're almost all the way home. It really is that easy.

All you have to do is contact those companies and make it easy and advantageous for them to recommend their customers to you.

Why would they be willing to do that?

Two reasons:

1. You show them that it will be in their customer's best interest; you demonstrate to them the level of benefit and advantage that you provide their customers that other competitors don't provide.

2. And secondly, you pay them.

Remember in an earlier tip, I stated, it's all about them, and not about you.

There are many companies that are desperately searching for new profit centers and they haven't the slightest idea of what they should be and where to look.

You are perfectly suited to

be a joint venture center for them.

There are certain situations where you can provide one another with reciprocating services. In other words, if they will recommend you to their customers, you will reciprocate and recommend them to customers. It's a win-win situation for all.

Anyhow, Host-Beneficiary Relationships are one of the most powerful methods you can use to grow your customer base.

I have personally used this secret to multiply all of my companies because it is so easy to implement.

Even if your company is a local retailer, you can utilize this concept locally.

Make a list of the other retailers surrounding your business. Then approach them with this concept and explain to them that this will profit them also.

In the last Tip, I went over breaking even on creating the initial customer. Well, in this situation, your offer could be to give your host partner the entire profit on the initial sale. If this alarms you, go back and read that issue.

Most of the time, the agreement is to split the profit fifty-fifty.

They win and you win.

Well that's it for this Tip. I look forward to the next tip because I'm going to go over two concepts that will help you bring in more customers in a single day.

To your success, Ken Varga

Venezuelan oil firm's 2009 profits slump 52%

CARACAS, Venezuela (AFP)

– State-owned oil giant
Petroleos de Venezuela
(PDVSA) said yesterday its
2009 net profits tumbled 52.2
percent in 2009 to 4.498 billion dollars amid a slide in
global crude oil prices.

PDVSA said the drop came from a 2008 profit of 9.4 billion dollars -- a year when crude oil prices hit record highs before dramatic declines.

In 2009, the average price of a barrel was 57 dollars for exports from Venezuela, which is the largest oil producer in South America and a member of the OPEC cartel. That com-

pared with an average 2008 price of 86.49 dollars per barrel.

Revenues also took a big hit for the year, slumping 40 percent to 74.996 billion dollars from 126.4 billion in 2008.

PDVSA president Rafael Ramirez told a news conference that "2009 was a difficult year" for the company as it weathered the global financial crisis and huge swings in commodity prices.

The company's overall production of crude oil was 3.012 million barrels per day but exports fell to 2.682 million from 2.897 million in 2008. The fig-

ures were above the production quota listed from the Organization of Petroleum Exporting Countries of 2.32 million barrels per day for Venezuela.

PDVSA's debt was listed at 21.4 billion dollars, while its contribution to state coffers fell 42 percent from a year earlier to 32.04 billion dollars.

The slumping results for PDVSA is more bad news for an economy mired in deep recession. Venezuela's economy contracted at a 5.8-percent pace in the first quarter in a fourth consecutive contraction

BP sells Colombian business for 1.9 billion dollars

LONDON, England (AFP) - British oil giant BP said yesterday it will sell its Colombian business for 1.9 billion dollars (1.4 billion euros) to national oil company Ecopetrol and Talisman of Canada.

The divestment is part of BP's plans to sell off up to 30 billion dollars of assets as it faces soaring costs from the Gulf of Mexico oil spill disaster.

The news comes just one week after BP's vilified chief executive Tony Hayward resigned in the wake of a record second-quarter loss of 16.9 billion dollars -- the biggest quarterly loss in British corporate history -- as it took charges

against a clean-up bill put at 32.2 billion dollars.

"BP ... has agreed to sell its oil and gas exploration, production and transportation business in Colombia to a consortium of Ecopetrol, Colombia's national oil company (51 percent), and Talisman of Canada (49 percent)," it said in a statement.

The Colombian assets hold reserves of 60 million barrels of oil equivalent (boe) and daily production is about 25,000 boe, BP said.

The transaction, which is subject to regulatory and other approvals, is expected to be completed by the end of 2010.

tradition at El Gaucho Restaurant



Aruba's longest established and most popular Argentinean steakhouse, El Gaucho, is still going strong after 33 successful years. Two-time winner of the prestigious Wine Spectator Award of Excellence, the restaurant proudly displays the numerous accolades it has received from other such notable wine and food societies as Chaîne des Rôtisseurs, as well as coveted awards for excellence such as the Worldwide Marketing Organization of Mexico, Golden Trophy for Quality Award of Excellence from France, Arch of Europe for Quality from Business Initiative Directions of Germany and International Award for Tourism, Hotel and Catering Industry from Spain.

land visitor where they go for a great steak, you will find most frequently their #1 choice will be The Gaucho Steak; a generous portion of prime tenderloin, charcoal-grilled to perfection. El Gaucho Restaurant also boasts the biggest shishkebab in the Caribbean, as well as a varied menu of fresh local fish and seafood, and everyone's favorite cut of steak and

2009 has brought some welcome changes; an expanded food and wine menu and the restaurant is now open on Sundays. A variety of lamb and veal dishes now garnish the menu, as well as a hearty 20-oz rib eye to satisfy your appetite.

El Gaucho Restaurant is open for lunch and dinner



Recognized around the world for its quality of service and cuisine, El Gaucho's heartiest applause comes from its loyal clientele, who recommend the restaurant to friends and family with complete confidence in their satisfaction.

When asking a frequent is-

Monday through Saturday from 11:30 a.m. until 11:00 p.m., and on Sunday from 5:30 p.m.. Visit their online guestbook at www.elgaucho-aruba. com, and peruse the glorious praise their receive from their devoted fans, as well as the updated menu.

THE MORNING NEWS Wednesday, August 4, 2010 Great steaks are a family Gold Coast Aruba: This is the time to invest

Managers of Gold Coast Aruba, the island's newest and most innovative gated community, report that sales are picking up nicely as the global economy begins to recover and those with a bit of disposal income are looking to invest in a sure thing. Gold Coast Directing Manager Fito Croes has noticed a surprising percentage of owners are barely using the villas or town homes they purchase, but taking advantage of Gold Coast's rental services to turn their investment into ready income.

"The greater portion of home owners are using their "home away from home" in Aruba to escape the winter months, or spend holidays with the family on the island," he remarked, "but I am gratified by how many are buying because they felt secure with real estate investment on Aruba. They really study the history and economy of the island and are im-



own home on Aruba will eventually be a community of 200 town homes, villas and condominiums with a stunning clubhouse complemented by two additional pools decks, one of which has been open for a year, the other will be ready for the holidays 2010. They expect the clubhouse to be ready for the community with a workout room and spectacular facilities by the end of 2011. It

of kitchens and bathrooms enables developers to provide custom options for clients, so buyers can individualize their homes. An elegant and chic standard package is available, or island designers will assist owners in finishing the décor to their specific tastes.

There are many aspects to purchasing property; not the least is the future value of the investment. To further enhance this, Gold Coast managers have inaugurated a number of in-house services and are now negotiating with Interval International to provide a huge international pool for investors to tap for renters either short or long term. Property exchange for a vacation in another destination will also be available. Gold Coast's own rental services have also proven highly successful in assisting owners in renting their villas; 24-hour security and maintenance services also tip the scales when it is time to make a decision. Aside from all this, housekeeping, babysitting and catering services are also available for community members as well as airport pick-up and drop-off and preshopping services so cupboards and refrigerators are stocked upon arrival, which can all be arranged through their home management department.



pressed with the political stability and continually increasing value of prime locations. Gold Coast is in the heart of Malmok, considered Aruba's most exclusive community, and here the prices of properties have only increased over time. It is minutes to the best beaches and all the action, and yet offers a quiet and secluded getaway; we are very pleased by the response to our concept."

Fito with his sister Mayrin and brother Rudy run Cas Bon, which has been constructing homes and building developments for all budgets for nearly twenty years.

"Gold Coast Aruba is the jewel in our crown," observes Fito. "We were very excited about this project; the scope and amenities. We talked to countless island visitors to find out what they would really want in a permanent residence on Aruba, and took it from there."

Input from frequent vacationers who dreamed of their will also house a restaurant and mini-market.

Owners who purchased upon the groundbreaking in 2007 are already enjoying a nearly 50% appreciation on their investment, many earning their mortgage payments by renting regularly. The design of the structures is open, airy and impressive, fully de-



ploying the island environment, with the finest quality construction and finishing available. Partnering with two of Aruba's top providers

Visit their website: www.goldcoastaruba.com for more details and availability or call 586-2200 to arrange a personal tour.

Armando's Kite Shack Best Kite Lesson on the Island For kite lesson & lodging info call: (297) 733-1515 www.kitesurfingaruba.com Next to Marriott Resort Lessons starts daily at 9:00a.m. - 12:00p.m. - 3:00p.m. Anyone between the ages of 8 and 77 can enjoy this sport

Okeanos SPA pampers concierges





Concierges are some of the most knowledgeable people on Aruba to go to for advice on "where to go" and "what to do" while vacationing on the island. To get better acquainted with the pampering services of Okeanos SPA at Renaissance Mall, a group of these Aruba experts were recently invited for a tour of this lovely relaxation haven in downtown Oranjestad.

The gift that made their visit extra pleasant was presented to them dur-

ing the tour; they were each invited to enjoy two treatments of their choice from a selection of services offered by the SPA including a haircut, mini facial, back massage, reflexology treatment, hair "up do", makeup session, mini mani-



cure, mini pedicure and a body scrub.

Okeanos SPA management and staff were happy to socialize with and pamper their guests as a special "masha danki" for their ongoing support

Limited Time Opportunity!

Luxury Real Estate investment - Guaranteed Return
Prime Location: Eagle Beach
100% Ownership / 0% Time sharing
PRIVATE SELLER no real estate agents please

Tel: 297 - 747-5275 Aruba * 212 - 203-0191 USA

Parched Russia warns on harvest, wheat prices surge

MOSCOW, Russia (AFP) – Leading wheat exporter Russia cut its grain harvest forecast by millions of tons yesterday owing to the worst drought for decades, adding to concerns pushing wheat prices to a two-year high point.

Russia, currently the world's number three wheat exporter, has seen 20 percent of its arable land (10 million hectares) scorched by a heatwave which has also hit its ambitions to raise its share of global markets.

"I think we will have (a grain harvest of) 70-75 million tons," Deputy Agriculture Minister Alexander Belyayev told reporters in the Siberian city of Novosibrisk, Russian news agencies reported.

news agencies reported.

Giving the first official prediction since the full extent of the drought became clear, he said the ministry would give a more precise forecast once the harvest starts in Siberia from mid-August.

Russia had a strong harvest of 97 million tons of grain in 2009 and the agriculture mi-nistry had already forecast that the harvest would be lower this year at 85 million tons.

Last year Russia also exported 21.4 million tons of grain and observers have already warned the volume risks being sharply lower this year owing to the drought.

The Russian Grain Union the day earlier gave an even bleaker forecast of the prospects for the harvest, predicting a volume for this year's harvest of only 72-78 million tons of grain.

It also warned that in a worst case scenario exports could halve this year, giving a range of between 11 million tons to 19.5 million tons.

But Belyayev insisted that "for the moment" Russia did not plan to impose export restrictions on grain and insisted that this year's exports



Farmers display wheat ruined by excessive heat and dehydration in Mokrye Kurnali, east of Moscow.

would be "at the level of previous years."

"It (export restrictions) is a government decision but at the current moment we do not have this situation. Exports are very easy to lose and very hard to win."

"We will try to balance things and preserve our market as much as possible," he added.

Concerns about Russia --coupled with a drought that has also hit the Ukraine and Kazakhstan as well as a low harvest in Canada -- have already led to a spike in global wheat prices.

On Monday, wheat prices hit highs not seen since September 2008 in Chicago while on Euronext in Paris prices also hit a high not seen for more than two years.

"Wheat prices have seen the largest one-month jump in more than three decades on the back of a severe drought in Russia, prompting warnings by the food industry of rising prices for flour-related products," said analysts at Barclays Capital.

Michael Hewson, analyst at CMC Markets said: "Due to the fires, there are fears that Russia, the Ukraine and Kazakhstan's export production could drop by as much as 27 percent for 2010/11."

He said the drought and ensuing wildfires in Russia had "prompted speculative buying" in the wheat market.

Russia has been targeting ramping up massively its market share over the next years by modernising infrastructure, in particular storage silos, and exploiting land that went fallow under the Soviet Union.

It has been aiming to more than double its grain exports to 40-50 million tons a year by increasing supplies to grain-hungry consumers like Egypt.

The severity of the drought has seen emergency situations declared in 27 Russian regions, including part of famed black earth region where the soils are famous for their richness in humus formed by the decomposition of plant matter.

The agriculture ministry said yesterday it would soon start selling grain from its intervention fund to the Russian regions which have suffered most from the ongoing drought, the RIA Novosti news agency reported.

A country notorious for its bitterly cold winters, Russia is enduring its severest heatwave for decades which saw all-time temperature records tumble throughout July.

Tour winner Contador signs for Saxo Bank team



COPENHAGEN (AFP) -Three-time Tour de France champion Alberto Contador of Spain has signed a twoyear contract with the Saxo Bank-Sungard team managed by Bjarne Riis.

The move announced Tuesday comes nine days after Contador claimed his third Tour win in four years for Astana by a margin of 39 seconds on Luxembourg's Andy Schleck.

As Contador arrives Schleck and his brother Frank are leaving, having spent five and eight years respectively alongside Danish manager Riis - the pair are due to join a home-based outfit.

Announcing his catch Riis said in a statement: "Alberto (Contador) is a world class rider and it's with great pride that I can welcome him onboard the team for the next two years.'

"With three Tour de France victories on his resume and a position as number one on the world rankings, he is sure to stay at the very top for several years to come."

Riis added: "Alberto will get a solid, strong and loyal team around him to support him in all terrains and I'm sure that this will be a fruitful alliance."

Contador said he was "very happy and excited about signing a two-year con-tract with Riis Cycling." "Historically, Riis Cycling

has always been successful and together we will have the ability to play a very important role in the world of cy-cling in the years to come," he added.

The Spanish rider spent three seasons with Astana fol-lowing the disbanding of his previous team Discovery Channel, with whom he won his first Tour title in 2007.

During his time at Astana he won a Giro d'Italia and Spanish Vuelta title as well as two of his three Tour de France titles.

Contador, who won cycling's premier event in 2007, 2009 and 2010, is the ninth cyclist to win the Tour de France at least three times.

Aside from Contador's arrival Riis also announced Tuesday that Saxo Bank had signed a new deal to act as co-sponsor of the team with SunGard in 2011 - the full name for his outfit will be Saxo Bank-SunGard Professional Cycling Team.

Apartments Fully furnished studio apartments, walking distance to Eagle vacation in Aruba.





Beach, per day, week or month, excellent alternative for your next

#143, Noord, Aruba Phones: (297) 587-7482 / 587-6474 Fax: (297) 587-8448

www.sasaki-apartments.com E-mail: sasakiapartments@hotmail.com

Gatlin win in return



AKVERE (AFP) - Disgraced 2004 Olympic 100 metres champion Justin Gatlin won his first race after returning

NBA tops US leagues in **Twitter followers**

NEW YORK (AFP) - More than two million people follow the NBA on Twitter, a record for any US sport league on the social networking site, the league announced Monday.

NBA followers push the league ahead of the National Football League, which has almost 1.7 million followers on Twitter, or Major League Baseball, which needs about 30,000 more just to reach half of the NBA's total.

'Surpassing the two-million mark on Twitter is a testament to our tremendous fans around the globe who are passionate about the league and their favorite teams and players," NBA marketing vice president Melissa Rosenthal-Brenner said.

When the Twitter feeds of all 30 NBA clubs and more than 165 players are added into the mix, more than 23 million combined Twitter feed followings are keeping up to date with NBA news on the social networking site.

The NBA set a record for tweets per second during game seven of June's NBA Finals, won by the Los Angeles Lakers over the Boston Celtics, with 3,085 tweets per second at one stage on the site.

The NBA also ranks atop sport league popularity on Facebook and YouTube.

from a four year doping suspension here on Tuesday.

The 28-year-old American, who tested positive for testosterone three months after equalling the world record in 2006, timed 10.34 seconds, the fastest time of the two heats, into a headwind of 1.7metres per second.

Gatlin, who achieved the 100/200m sprint double at the 2005 world championships, will race in the final later on Tuesday where his main opposition should come from compatriot J-Mee Samuels, whose best time this season is 10.19sec.

Gatlin, who has lost 20 pounds over the past year as he battles to regain his place among the leading sprinters, has targeted a place in the 2012 Olympics as his main objective.

Baggio to play role in Italian renaissance

ROME (AFP) - Roberto Baggio, one of Italy's finest players ever, is set to return to football, joining Italy's football federation (FIGC) after the national team's disastrous exit from the World Cup, the local press reported on Tues-

"I have said I am fully available to fill the role of president of the technical sector," Baggio said, adding that he would have to wait for a FIGC board meeting on Wednesday for his nomination to become official, daily Il Messaggero reported.

Along with Baggio two other Italian football legends are set to join the FIGC.



Former Italy coach Arrigo Sacchi, 64, will coordinate the youth national teams, while Gianni Rivera, the first



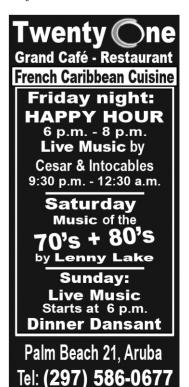
Italian player to win the "Ballon d'Or" or European Footballer of the Year trophy, will preside over the teaching and youth sector of the federa-

Baggio, 43, retired from football in 2004 after playing for Fiorentina, Juventus and AC Milan and starring for Italy in three World Cups, but leaving each one emptyhanded.

After reigning champions Italy were embarrassingly bundled out of the South African tournament this summer, Baggio said he believes players and coaches in Italy focus to much on results, often at the expense of wellplayed football.

The attacking midfielder became known as 'the divine ponytail' thanks to his hairstyle and late conversion to Buddhism.

Italy were kicked out of the World Cup after a shock 3-2 defeat to Slovakia that left them at the bottom of what had looked like a fairly easy group, including Paraguay and rank outsiders New Zealand.





GARAGE Sports Bar and Grill ARUBA South Beach Centre Mall-Phone: 592-5884

Open: Monday - Friday 3:00 p.m. / Saturday - Sunday 12:00 p.m.

Purchase 1 Sandwich or Entree & receive a free Balashi draft Beer.

Reports say Favre done but he hasn't told Vikings coach



MANKATO

(AFP) - Multiple reports on Tuesday said Brett Favre has told Minnesota Vikings officials that he will not return for a 20th NFL season, but Vikings coach Brad Childress said he has not been told that.

The Star-Tribune newspaper and various television stations reported that Favre began telling team officials on Monday night that he would not return for the upcoming season, citing a nagging left ankle that underwent surgery in May.

Childress, however, called the Favre situation "fluid" and has not given up on seeing the NFL's all-time passing leader back in purple next month when the season starts.

"It wouldn't surprise me one way or the other whether he elects to play or whether he elects to retire," Childress said. "I think all of us can live with it either way and the big thing is that he's at peace with it."

Vikings players said they had no knowledge of Favre's plans. Last year he did not join the team until August 18 and that was after surgery on a torn right biceps muscle.

Favre would make 13 million dollars in the final year of a two-season deal worth 25 million dollars he signed before a 12-4 season that saw Minnesota come within one victory of a trip to the Super Bowl.

Favre, who turns 41 in October, threw for 4,202 yards and 33 touchdowns with a career-low seven interceptions last year, but underwent a third left ankle surgery, the others coming in 1995 and 2007.

In 2008 and 2009, Favre retired only to return to the NFL. He returned from his time with the Green Bay Packers to join the New York Jets in 2008 and just missed the playoffs, then retired and re-emerged in Minnesota.

Yankees canoodling with Chinese company

NEW YORK (AFP) - China's Uni-President Enterprises, an instant noodle maker, has signed a four-year sponsorship deal with the reigning World Series champion New York Yankees, the Major League Baseball club said on Monday.

The deal boosts Uni-President's sponsorship of the China Baseball League and as part of the contract the Yankees will make a donation to the QSL Youth Sports Development Foundation, China's largest sports-related youth charity.

QSL helps back a youth

baseball program in China.

Uni-President, a mainland subsidiary of Taiwan's largest processed food producer, will advertise on a Yankee Stadium sign and in team publications as part of the deal.

It is not the first Chinese sponsorship deal for the team with the most season championships in American sports history. Chinese dairy firm Yili Group backed the Yankees in 2007.

The Yankees signed development deals in 2007 with Chinese officials to help improve the nation's players and coaches.

Phelps expects tight races in bodysuit-less era



IRVINE (AFP) - Beijing Olympic star Michael Phelps is looking forward to see how the world's best swimmers handle the ban on the nowbanned bodysuits that created world records until being outlawed by FINA.

Phelps, who won a record eight gold medals at Beijing, will swim five events this week at the US national championships, a qualifier for the Pan Pacific meet here in two weeks as well as next year's World Championships in Shanghai.

Times worldwide have been slower since polyurethane bodysuits were banned this year after 43 world records were set at last year's worlds in Rome, but Phelps expects close races even if the speeds are not at unprecedented levels.

unprecedented levels.

"I still think you're going to see tight races," Phelps said. "I would rather see a tight race than watch a world record get obliterated by five seconds."

Phelps sais he looks forward to seeing which swimmers who shattered marks in bodysuits can back up their efforts with success now that the attire aid no longer exists.

"It's really going to be interesting to see who can make the transition between wearing (normal) suits and not wearing (banned) suits," Phelps said.

"Ît's going to show who's willing to put in more work to be able to be in better physical shape. You're not going to be able to float as easy on top of the water as you were with the (banned) suits."

Phelps plans to swim the 200-meter freestyle, 100 and 200 butterfly, 200 individual medley and 200 backstroke at the US meet. His first day in the pool will be Wednesday, when he competes in two events, making it his busiest day.

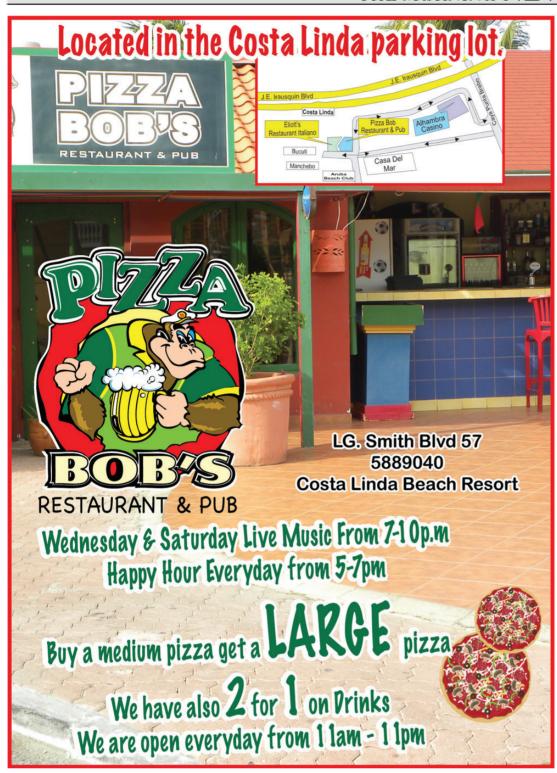
Phelps was disappointed with his performance at a June meet in Paris, saying his stroke and timing were off but that he has improved in the past few weeks.

"It is a lot better than it was a couple weeks ago," he said. "I feel like I can actually swim freestyle again. That's always a good feeling coming into a nationals meet."

The frustrations have made Phelps all the hunmgrier for success this week.

"I'm more motivated now than I have been all year," he said. "Not being where you want to be is frustrating. You know what you need to do to get back and you know what you need to change," said the 14-time Olympic champion.

www.themorningnewsaruba.com



Henin and Williams head impressive Hopman Cup field

PERTH (AFP) - Reigning Australian Open champion Serena Williams and Belgian champion Justine Henin head an impressive list of talent for the mixed teams Hopman Cup next January

Cup next January.

Tournament director Paul McNamee on Tuesday confirmed the first five teams for the unique eight-nation event starting on January 1 with a field that looks set to be best ever to contest the 22-year-old tournament.

Joining Williams and Henin will be Serbia's men's world No.2 Novak Djokovic, who will be joined by countrywoman Ana Ivanovic, and dual grand slam champion Lleyton Hewitt.

Frenchman Gael Monfils, ranked 17th in the world, is also among the nine players already confirmed.

It will be Henin's first appearance in Perth and comes just under 12 months after she stunned the tennis world by reaching the final of the Australian Open in her comeback to Grand Slam tennis.

Williams will be making her third appearance here, having won the event on both her previous visits.

McNamee said he was thrilled with the initial signings.

who will be joined by countrywoman Ana Ivanovic, and dual grand slam champion mgs.

"It's a spectacular line-up," he said. "There is potential

for some really great matchups for both the men and the women, not to mention the mixed."

Henin will be partnered by the 110th-ranked Steve Dar-

Williams will team up with towering American John Isner, who played at this year's event but gained worldwide fame for his 11-hour Wimbledon marathon against Nicolas Mahut in June.

Monfils will be partnered by 2009 junior world No.1 Kristina Mladenovic to represent France, while Hewitt's partner for the host nation is yet to be confirmed.

Keep updated with: www.themorningnewsaruba.com



Bayern hit by Robben injury blow

Receive a special discount with this Ad

BERLIN (AFP) - German champions Bayern Munich suffered a major blow on Tuesday when star Dutchman and Bundesliga player of last season Arjen Robben was ruled out for two months because of a left thigh injury.

Bayern could seek compensation as they believe it is an aggravation of the injury the 26-year-old suffered just prior to the World Cup finals, playing in a friendly for the Dutch against Hungary, but recovered sufficiently to play a decisive part in the Netherlands' march to the final.

"This diagnosis came as a shock," said Robben, following the diagnosis by team doctor Hans-Wilhelm Muller-Wohlfahrt which along with an IRM revealed a hole of about five centimetres

in the muscle.

"I felt in really good shape, I played in four matches at the World Cup and I never felt the slightest pain."

Bayern president Karl-Heinz Rummenigge was seething at the news as he had criticised Robben's selection for the finals squad after he suffered his initial injury and claimed he had asked world governing body FIFA to act as a mediator in the dispute between the club and the Dutch federation.

"Yet again we have to pay for the folly of a national federation and for an incorrect diagnosis," said the former West German international striker.

"We are extremely disappointed."



LOCATED AT THE HOLIDAY INN SPORTS BOOK

No charge or tax on winnings
Live simulcast of all major tracks
Highest limits in Aruba
Sports Book opens at 12:30 pm
Only casino to televise all football games

POKER ROOM EARLY BIRD SPECIAL - 6 p.m.

TEXAS HOLD-EM \$4-\$8 LIMIT BUY-IN FOR \$30 RECEIVE \$60 IN CHIPS MUST PLAY TWO (2) HOURS

DAILY POKER TOURNAMENTS at 6:30PM

Monday \$10 Buy-in
Tuesday \$10 Buy-in
Wednesday \$10 Buy-in
Thursday \$10 Buy-in
Friday \$10 Buy-in
Saturday \$150 Buy-in
Sunday \$10Buy-in
(Tournaments are subject to charge as

per Management criteria) **BLACKJACK**

Only Casino in Aruba where dealer stands on Soft 17

CRAPS

3-4-5 Times Odds